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BOMBAY STRIKE.

BOMBAY, March 26.
The mill strike has ended. The mill-owners' demand for payment for the recent strike periods was not conceded.

IT WAS ONLY HOT AIR.

WASHINGTON, March 26.
Tearful before the Senate committee, Admiral Sims declared that it was Admiral Benson who told him not to let the British pull wool over his eyes, and that Americans would soon fight the British as the Germans. He admits that the statement was made in the course of an informal conversation on the eve of the United States entry into the war.

U.S. AND GERMANY.

A NOVEL WAY OUT.

WASHINGTON, March 21.
A joint resolution was introduced in the House of Representatives declaring for a state of peace under which Germany is required to recognise all the rights which the United States might have had under the treaty of Versailles. Should Germany fail to agree to this, the President will be authorised to prohibit the resumption of trade relations and the extension of credits.

GERMAN DOINGS.

BERLIN, March 21.
It is officially announced that the state of siege in Berlin and the province of Brandenburg has been raised. Trade Unionists and the civil servants associations issued a manifesto urging the immediate resumption of work, declaring that the coup d'état was due to the unnatural peace treaty of Versailles, which must be radically amended.

BERLIN, March 21.
The federation of labour has issued a statement of the terms of the agreement between the workers and government parties, showing that the latter accepted most of the demands. The agreement provides, inter alia, for government appointments to be made in agreement with the workers' organisations, for the immediate commencement of the resumption of suitable industries (coal and potash) for the disarmament of all disloyal forces and their replacement by trustworthy republicans, especially workers.

BERLIN, March 20.
The government's afternoon press communication expresses firm confidence in a peaceful outcome of the situation, which is described as generally favourable throughout the empire. The only points whence fighting is reported are Essen, Remscheid, Dusseldorf, and Muehlheim. It is officially stated that the intensified state of siege has been raised. Ministers are returning.

ITEMS FROM AUSTRALIA.

MELBOURNE, March 21.
Premier Hughes sent a message to the Renown, wishing the Prince of Wales a pleasant voyage and assuring him of a loyal and cordial welcome. Sir Joseph Cook, minister for the navy, was pleased with Mr. Long's recent statement in the House of Commons on the naval position and agrees that a conference of dominion representatives is necessary for a concerted scheme of imperial defence, in order to enable the Dominion and imperial navies to be readily combined when necessary.

FLYING STUNTS.

LONDON, March 21.
The South African aviators, Colonel van Rynveld and Major Brand have arrived at Capetown, thus completing their flight from England. Three machines were successfully used.

OUR PRINCE'S AUSTRALIAN TRIP.

LONDON, March 21.
The Renown on the morning of March 21 was abreast of the Azores, making a prosperous voyage in splendid weather. The Prince received a wireless message from the Duke of Devonshire, homeward bound on the Empress of France, hoping on behalf of the Canadian government and people that H. R. H. would revisit Canada on his return. The Prince replied that he would be unable to come to Canada as he was visiting the West Indies. The Renown is likely to reach Barbados on March 26.

GENEROUS COAL OWNERS.

LONDON, March 21.
The coal owners have agreed that between March 24 and August 31 the price of bunker coal for outward bound vessels shall be seventy-five shillings at South Wales and Tyne ports, and seventy-two and a half at Scottish ports. Present prices range from 110s. to 115s. The reduction involves £24,000,000 annually.

HUMAN DEVILTRY.

LONDON, March 25.
A harrowing description of the Jewish pogroms in South Russia last year is detailed in the Kieff relief committee report. Over 30,000 Jews were murdered in the Ukraine. Half of these crimes are ascribed to Petluras regulars, especially when the troops were compelled to evacuate the territory. Altogether 372 places are registered where pogroms occurred. They bring the total to 70,000 victims. Numbers died on their wanderings. Some were thrown out of express trains and starved to starvation. Women were frequently violated before being slain. Cases are cited where fathers were killed. Only bayonets were used because of the expense of cartridges. Grenades were thrown into cellars where Jews were hiding from the Reds. The tortures included the tearing out of beards with a specially adapted wire. Two Jewish girls are in hospital with venereal trouble. One's nose is cut off; the other's arms are broken.

COST OF SHIPBUILDING.

The great cost of the "Hood" has surprised the public far more than any detail of her design. An estimated expenditure of £3,287,335, without guns and ordnance stores, came as a thunder-clap. Our pre-war expenditure on any one ship for the Navy barely exceeded £2,000,000. It may be well, therefore, to point out that it is not so much that the design of the "Hood" is expensive, as that the cost of shipbuilding has increased vastly since 1914. A few figures for the cost of building cargo-steamers in recent years, and at the present time, may serve to put the matter in its true proportions. The figures in this table are from statistics compiled by Messrs. C. W. Kellock and Co., the Brokers to the Admiralty Marshal.

COST OF BUILDING A 7,500-TON CARGO STEAMER.

1900	60,000
1905	44,000
1910	40,000
1914 (July)	42,000
1915	125,000
1916	158,000
1917	157,000
1918	180,500
1919 (July)	195,000

The cost, therefore, has advanced nearly five-fold in five years. Had the increase in warship building been at a similar rate, the "Hood" would have cost about £10,000,000.

At the same time we have to face great increases in the cost of all types of warship. The new light cruiser "Hawkins," of 9,750 tons, cost about £1,370,000, as compared with the "Kent," of similar tonnage, the cost £700,283. The "Calcutta," of 4,180 tons, cost about £850,000, as compared with the "Bristol," of 4,800 tons, which cost £364,953. The more the figures are studied, the more evident it is that shipbuilding programmes of the near future will have to be confined to the most necessary ships only. And it is beyond question that the taxpayers, faced with a bill for £6,000,000 for one vessel, will be a very potent factor in determining the attitude of the authorities towards the mammoth warship. More perhaps even than technical considerations, the deadweight of public opposition may lead to an abandonment of the growth in design.

HELD UP, SAT ON, SQUEEZED.

A Melbourne firm has received from America the following letter which was sent by a customer of an American firm, to whom a letter had been addressed calling his attention to a payment past due on a small order:—
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CROWN COLONIES.**DEVELOPMENT OF
RESOURCES.****SOME SUGGESTIONS.**

Sir Bickham Escott, K.C.M.G.,
contributes the following article to
The Observer:—

A little more than twenty-four
years ago, and shortly after he had
taken over the reins of office as
Secretary of State for the Colonies,
Mr. Joseph Chamberlain delivered a
remarkable speech regarding the
future of our so-called Crown Colonies,
his text being the necessity of
developing our undeveloped Colonial
estates. The speech attracted
considerable attention at Home,
but its effect was electrical in
those Colonies to which it
was hoped that the remarks of the
missionary of the Empire applied.
The writer recalls the unusual ani-
mation that followed at a meeting
of the Legislative Council of
British Honduras in August, 1895,
over which he was presiding, his
quotation from Mr. Chamberlain's
speech, and his expression of
belief that British Honduras would
be included in any approved
scheme of Colonial development.
But neither then nor later was
anything done, excepting the con-
struction of a small railway, twenty-
five miles long and a few mud roads,
either on the initiative or with the
consent of the Colonial Office, to
develop a colony which, if the
Bahama and Bermuda Islands are
excluded, is as large as all the
British West India Islands put to-
gether, although its potentialities
are not less than were those of the
Hawaii Islands when, in 1898, they
were annexed as part of the territory
of the United States of America.

The crisis through which the
West Indies Colonies were passing at
the time of Mr. Chamberlain's speech,
due to the depression of the sugar
industry and the difficulty of substi-
tuting other industries which would
afford the same regular employment
for the labouring population, and the
necessity of applying to the Imperial
Treasury for financial assistance,
distracted attention from Colonies
like British Guiana and British
Honduras, of which, speaking com-
paratively, only small portions have
been brought under cultivation. The
revival of the prosperity of the
British West Indies during the last
twenty years is due to the financial
assistance judiciously given by
the Imperial Government to Colonies
some of which, under the bounty
system that fostered the German
beet-root sugar industry, had become
practically bankrupt, to the intro-
duction of improved methods in the
cultivation of the sugar-cane and the
manufacture of sugar, to operation
of the Brussels Convention, and to
the creation of new industries, not-
ably that of cotton, under the foster-

ing care and wise guidance of the
newly established Department of
Agriculture for the West Indies,
which was fortunate to have as its
first Imperial Commissioner Sir
Daniel Morris, who held that appoint-
ment from 1898 to 1903.

THE NEW COMMITTEE.

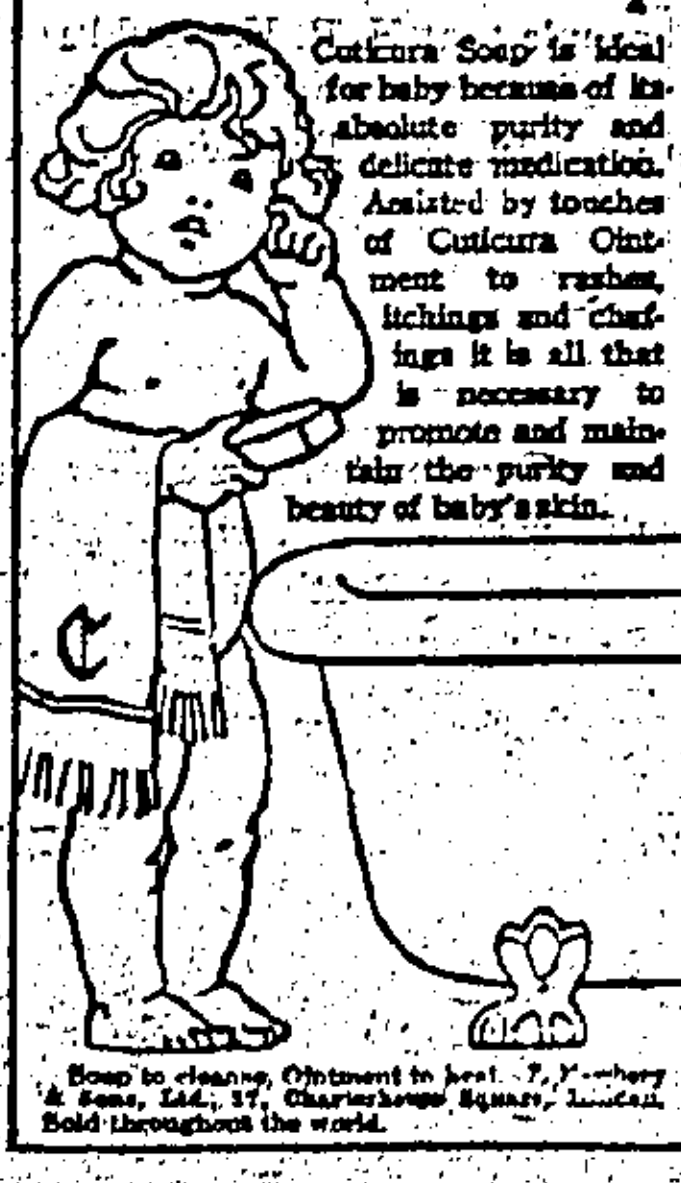
It was with great satisfaction,
therefore, that all persons with
knowledge of, and interested in, the
Crown Colonies and Protectorates
read the announcement of the
appointment of a strong committee
to examine and report on the
adequacy of the agricultural depart-
ments in these territories, and of a
further committee, the most promi-
nent member of which is Lord
Harcourt, to inquire into the oppor-
tunities of their economic develop-
ment, to make recommendations
as to the principles and
methods to be followed
in such development, and to
examine and report also on any
particular schemes and suggestions
which might be submitted for the
consideration of the committee.
Both committees would have been
strengthened, probably, by the
addition to their members of one or
more ex-Colonial Governors possess-
ing a first-hand knowledge of the
conditions and needs of many of our
Crown Colonies and Protectorates,
but the committee will be guided,
no doubt, to a large extent, in
drafting their reports, by the recom-
mendations to be made by the
various Governments concerned.

That the Colonial Office is pre-
pared to take a liberal view of the
steps required to promote colonial
development is assured by the
sympathetic attitude towards the
Colonies of Lieutenant-Colonel Amery,
who, in Lord Milner's absence, is
acting as Colonial Secretary, and by
the cheery optimism which charac-
terised his recent remarks when pre-
siding at a lecture, given before the
Royal Society of Arts, on problems
of the West Indies, and the reported
account of his interview at the Colo-
nial Office with a representative of
the Morning Post, at which the pos-
sible prospects of the Empire and the
future policy of Great Britain towards
the overseas Dominions, Crown Colo-
nies, and Protectorates were discussed
with a frankness which is refreshing
in a member of the Colonial Office.

But whilst the present attitude of
the Colonial Office towards colonial
questions will give satisfaction
throughout the Empire, it must be
borne in mind that the most im-
portance is attached by all tropical
Colonies to the solution of the labour
problem. British Guiana, for ex-
ample, whose area is estimated at
81,480 square miles, or more than
two thirds the size of all the British
Isles, has a population of about
314,000, of whom 138,000 are East
Indians. But only 275 square miles
of the colony are under cultivation,
and sugar, the export of which in
1917 amounted to 114,007 tons, is its
staple industry. The extension of

that industry depends on the faci-
lities to be given for increasing the
labouring population. In the Fiji
Islands which are 7,100 square miles
in area, the East Indian population
does not exceed 62,000—the total
population being 166,000—and the
limits of protection have been reach-
ed unless Government can be induced
to withdraw its decision to allow no
further immigration from India to the
sugar producing tropical colonies. In
Fiji as in Mauritius, Jamaica, Trin-
idad and British Guiana, the emigrant
from India has proved a boon to the
colony and, as a general rule, the
Indian emigrant has attained to a
degree of prosperity undreamt of in
his own country.

The appointment of the two com-
mittees to which reference has been
made above, is a move in the right
direction, and the Colonial Office is
to be congratulated on its action.
But the value to be attached to the
committees' recommendations will be
increased if there are appointed sub-
committees who will visit the Colonies
and Protectorates to be brought
within the purview of their reports.
The sub-committee can then
familiarise themselves on the spot
with local conditions and agricultural
needs and possibilities; and they
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PUBLIC AUCTIONS

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,
March 30, 1920, at 11 a.m., at
No. 8, Humphreys Avenue,
Kowloon.

Valuable Household Furniture,
etc., etc.,
therein contained.

consisting of—
Teakwood small Sideboard and Dining
Wagon, Overmantel, Rattan Furni-
ture and Mattings, Glass Ware, Crockery
and Pictures, two Teakwood Wardrobes
(Bevelled Mirrors), two single and one
double Beds, Shanghai Bath, Ice Chest,
Meat Safe, Cooking Stove, etc., etc.

Also
One Piano by Challen & Son, London,
in first class condition.
Catalogue will be issued.
Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 24, 1920.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
on

TUESDAY,
March 30, 1920, commencing at 2.30
p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Voeux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

A Small Consignment of
HOUSEHOLD LINENS, &c.,
Comprising—
Turkish Towels, Bath Towels, Bath
Sheets, Double Bed Sheets, Battenberg
and Drawwork Bedspreads, Table
Cloths, Crochets and Drawwork Doilies.

Also
A few lots of Brass Jardinieres, Large
Kiln-drawn Vases, Japanese Vases.

And
Two Travelling bags and Suit Cases.
(All new goods and in small lots).

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 26, 1920.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
on

TUESDAY,
March 30, 1920, commencing
at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

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comprising—
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Upholstered Suite, Bedroom Furniture,
comprising Teakwood Twin Bedsteads,
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Tables, and Chairs, Washstands,
&c., (fumed Teakwood), Slide-
boarded Dinner Wagon, Extension Dining
Tables and Chairs, etc., Dinner
Services, Crockery, and Glass Ware,
Cooking Stoves, Utensils, etc., Bath
Room Utensils, Electro-Plated Ware,
Electric Reading Lamps, Teakwood
and Teakwood screens, a quantity of
Blackwood Furniture, Blackwood Fire
Screens, Sides, Tables, Chairs,
Cabinets, Pictures, Carpets new and
second-hand.

Also
Four Pianos, One Enamelled Bath,
Camels, etc., etc.,

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 26, 1920.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
on

WEDNESDAY,
March 31, 1920, at 5.00 p.m.,
10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8 Des Voeux Road, Corner
of Ice House Street.

A Collection of
Genuine Postage Stamps,
Consisting of—
A fine selection of War Stamps of
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PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND Conditions of the
letting by Public Auction Sale, to
be held on MONDAY, the 29th day of
March, 1920, at 3 p.m., at the Office of
the Public Works Department, by Order of
His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot
of CROWN LAND at "Shaukiwan,"
in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term
of 75 years, with the option of renewal
at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the
Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for
one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of State Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements.	Consists of Acres, Roods, Perches, etc.	Annual Rent Proposed	Upset Price
1	Shaukiwan	N. S. E. W.	1.25	1.25	1.25

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions from MAJOR GENERAL
KELLY, to sell by Public Auction,
on

MONDAY,
the 13th April, 1920, at 2.30 p.m., at
HEAD QUARTER HOUSE,
THE WHOLE OF THE
Valuable Household Furniture,
etc., etc.,
therein contained.

consisting of—
Hall—Hallstand, side and Card
tables, Clock, Chinese gong, etc.
Drawing Room—Blackwood Cabinets,
Tables, Stools and Flower stands,
Beds and chairs, Water colours, Stan-
dard lamps, Chinese vases, Carpets,
Curtains, etc., etc., and one Astro Piano
by Steck with about 150 rolls music.

Dining Room—Extension Dining
Table and Chairs, Sideboard, Dinner
Wagon, Dinner Services and a large
quantity of GLASSWARE and CROCKERY,
Curtains, Screens and several JAPANESE
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WARE.

Billiard Room—One Billiard Table
by Stevens & Co., together with all
accessories, chairs, pictures, etc.
Study—Bookcase, Writing Table,
Barograph, etc.
Bed Rooms—Double & Single Brass-
mounted Beds, Campbellwood Ward-
robes and Chest of Drawers, Towel
rails, Linen baskets, Toilet crockery,
etc., etc.

And
OUT-BUILDINGS, GARDEN and COOR-
HOUSE—Several Rickshaws, Lawn
mowers, Tennis nets and poles, Bad-
minton and Croquet sets, Stove, and
cooking utensils, etc.

A large number of Pots of Plants.
Catalogue will be issued.
On view from Saturday, the 10th
April.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 26, 1920.

FOR SALE.
THE Undersigned have received in-
structions to sell
(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
The Yacht
"ERIN"
as she now lies off Ah-King's Slipway.
Further particulars and inspecting
orders may be obtained from the under-
signed.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 26, 1920.

INTIMATIONS

**HONGKONG CORINTHIAN YACHT
CLUB.**
THE CLOSING CRUISE of the
season will take place on SUN-
DAY, March 28th to an anchorage off
Chung Hui Island.
A Launch for Members and Friends
will leave Statue Wharf at 10 a.m.

HONGKONG CLUB.
NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH YEARLY
GENERAL MEETING of the
Members of the HONGKONG CLUB will be
held in the Club House on MONDAY,
March 29th, 1920, at 5.30 p.m.
By Order,
C. H. P. HAY,
Chairman.
Hongkong, March 18, 1920.

HONGKONG CLUB.
NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the Members of the
HONGKONG CLUB will be held in the
Club House, Connaught Road Central,
Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the
Twenty-Ninth day of March, 1920,
immediately after the Yearly General
Meeting, when a Resolution as detailed
in the notice exhibited in the Club
House will be proposed as an Extra-
ordinary Resolution.
Should the Resolution be passed by
the required majority it will be sub-
mitted for confirmation as a Special
Resolution to a Second Extraordinary
General Meeting which will be subse-
quently convened.
Dated the 19th day of March, 1920.
By Order of the General Committee,
C. H. P. HAY,
Chairman.

**THE HONGKONG GENERAL
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.**

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the
Members of the HONGKONG
GENERAL CHAMBER OF COM-
MERCE will be held on MONDAY,
March 29th, 1920, at 4 o'clock precisely,
in the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
ROOM, CHARTERED BANK BUILD-
ING, for the following purposes—

1. To receive the Report and Ac-
counts of the Committee for the
year ended 31st December, 1919.
 2. To elect a New Committee.
 3. To transact any General business.
- By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 18, 1920.

**THE ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS
& DEALERS OF HONGKONG.**

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the
Members of the ASSOCIATION OF
EXPORTERS & DEALERS OF
HONGKONG will be held on TUES-
DAY, March 30th, 1920, at 4 p.m., pre-
cisely, in the CHAMBER OF COM-
MERCE ROOM, CHARTERED BANK
BUILDING, for the following
purposes—

1. To receive the Report and Ac-
counts of the Committee for the
year ended 31st December, 1919.
 2. To elect a New Committee.
 3. To transact any General business.
- By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 18, 1920.

**HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE.**

CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL.

A NEW CLASS for "BEGINNERS"
will commence on MONDAY,
5th April, 1920, if sufficient support be
forthcoming.
Application for enrolment and en-
quiries regarding hours of School, Fees,
etc., should be made to the undersigned
as early as possible.
By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 18, 1920.

**HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Shareholders will be
held at the Company's Hotel, Hong-
kong, on WEDNESDAY, 7th April,
1920, at Noon, for the purpose of re-
ceiving the Report of the Board of
Directors together with a Statement of
Accounts for the Year ending 31st
December, 1919.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from
THURSDAY, 1st April to WEDNES-
DAY, 7th April, 1920, (both days in-
clusive) during which period no
transfer of shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. H. TAGGART,
Manager and Secretary.
Hongkong, March 26, 1920.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

TODAY
SATURDAY, March 27th.
TEA-DANSANT from 4 to 7 p.m.
DINNER DANCE from 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, March 28th.
ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS during
Tea and Afternoon Tea.

NOTICE.

In the Estate of FREDERICK
ENDELL ROSSER, M.S.A.
Architect and Civil Engineer, late
of Nos. 18 & 20, Queen's Road
Central, (deceased).

WILL all persons having Claims
against the above Estate kindly
send in same to the undersigned
immediately.
G. R. HAYWOOD,
Solicitor.
No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hongkong, March 25, 1920.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

GOOD FRIDAY
ORATORIO SELECTIONS
at
9.15 P.M.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE Steamship
"INNSBRUCK,"
From VENICE, PENANG &
SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are
being landed at their risk into the Go-
downs of the Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd.,
at Kowloon, whence and/or from the
wharves delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded
unless notice to the contrary be given
before.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
1st prox. will be subject to rent.
All claims against the steamer must
be presented to the Undersigned on or
before the 15th prox. or they will
not be recognized.

All broken, shafed and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns
where they will be examined on the
31st prox. at 10 a.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed by
DODWELL & Co., Ltd.
Agents.
Hongkong, March 26, 1920.

NIIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From EUROPE AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship
"TAMBA MARU,"
having arrived from the above Ports,
Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed and
placed at their risk in the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s
Godowns at Kowloon, where each consign-
ment will be sorted out mark by mark and
delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.
Optional Goods will be carried on unless
instructions are given to the contrary
before Noon, To-day.

Goods not cleared by the April 1,
1920, will be subject to rent.
Damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees
and the Co.'s representatives at an appoint-
ed hour on TUESDAY and FRIDAY.
All claims must be presented within
ten days of the steamer's arrival
here, after which date they cannot be
recognized. No claims will be admitted
after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
Agents.
Hongkong, March 26, 1920.

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**TWO MAIN TREATY
POINTS REMAIN IN
CONTROVERSY.**

ARTICLE 10 DRAFT MADE.

Washington, February 11.—Steps
to eliminate many collateral issues
of the peace treaty fight were taken
to-day on the floor while negotiations
were being resumed privately for a
compromise on the two principal
points remaining in controversy,
Article 10 and the Monroe Doctrine.
Modification of eight of the four-
teen Republican reservations on the
bases of agreements by the bi-parti-
san conference and in a way said to
be satisfactory to many Democrats,
was prepared formally by Senator
Lodge. Four of the remaining six
are said to have been already accept-
ed without change by the Democrats,
leaving only those which relate to
Article 10 and the Monroe Doctrine.

**NEW DRAFT MADE OF ARTICLE 10
RESERVATION.**

Progress also was claimed in
Article 10 negotiations, a new draft
of the reservation being drafted by
the mild reservation Republicans to
have received approval from Senator
Lodge and from some Democrats.
The draft was denounced by Senator
Hitchcock, Democratic leader, how-
ever, as constituting "not a com-
promise but a surrender," and much
doubt remained as to its ultimate
acceptance.

The new reservation, said to have
been drafted by a Democrat, would
deny this Nation's obligation to pre-
serve the integrity of other league
members "by the use of its military
or naval forces, or by the economic
boycott, or by any other means"
an less Congress acted in each case.
Under the original Republican draft
the denial of the article's obligations
is made directly.

**LODGE'S MOVE IN ACCORD WITH
PLAN OF LEADERS.**

Senator Lodge's move in propos-
ing modifications was in accordance
with a plan agreed on by Republican
leaders. Not all of the changes
embodied in his proposal had been
accepted by the Democrats in the
bi-partisan conference, it was said,
and some Democratic opposition was
forecast to parts of the revised pro-
gramme. The general impression
was, however, that these differences
could be disposed of with little
debate.

The disagreement over the Monroe
Doctrine also was thrown into the
background, the leaders apparently
believing it might be adjusted quick-
ly if a compromise were reached on
Article X.

**NO DEBATE ON TREATY DURING
DAY'S SESSION.**

There was no debate on the treaty
at to-day's session. Senator Lodge
presenting his proposed modifications
without comment, except that he
desired to have them printed for con-
sideration when the treaty comes be-
fore the Senate again next week.
The text of this reservation follows:

The United States assumes no
obligation to preserve by the use of
its military or naval forces, or by the
economic boycott or by any other
means, the territorial integrity or
political independence of any other
country, or to interfere in contro-
versies between nations—whether
members of the league or not—under
the provisions of Article X, or to
employ the military or naval forces
of the United States under any article
of the treaty for any purpose unless
in any particular case the Congress,
which under the Constitution has the
sole power to declare war, shall by
act or joint resolution so provide.—
San Francisco Chronicle.

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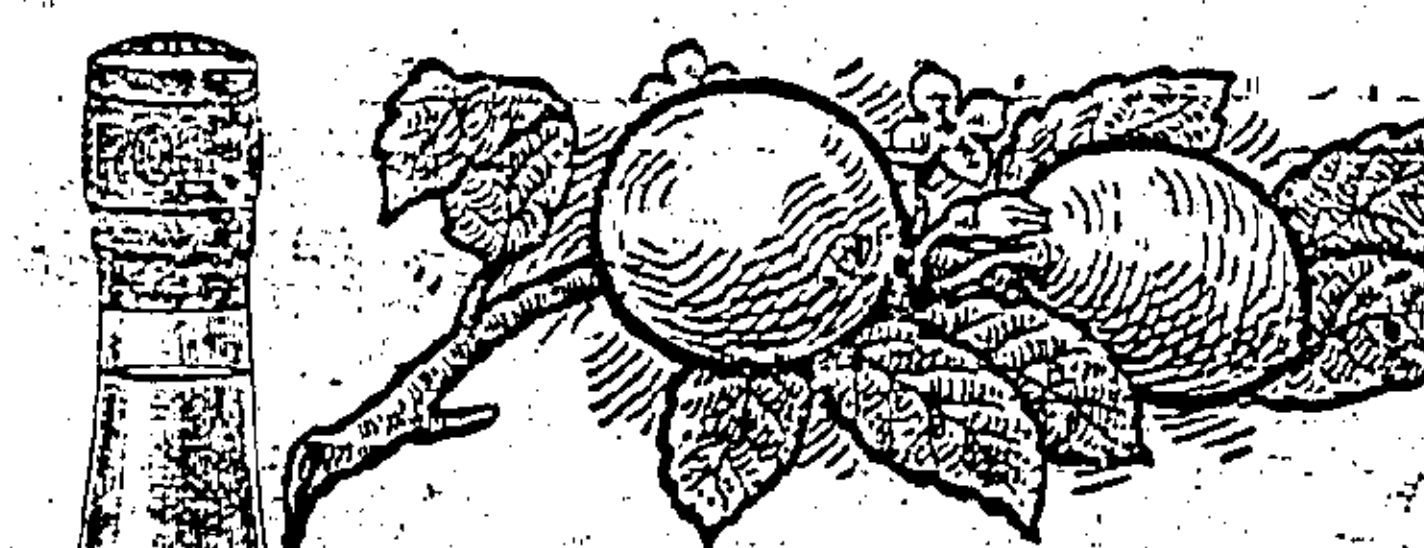
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DEATH.

HUMPHREYS.—At Montclair Hospital, New York, on 18th inst., Mrs. W. G. Humphreys.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 1920.

ADVERSARIA.

How much the character of a newspaper depends upon the personality of the man conducting it is strikingly illustrated by the arrival of the latest numbers of the *Straits Echo*, which has been a nightmare of a newspaper for many months. Now Mr. Welham is back, the *Echo* has resumed its place as the most scholarly, literary, and vigorous public organ in the Straits. There are many evidences that its editor, after his illness and successful operation, is now in toppling form. When passing through New York, he was picked up from a Republican politician a story which, though slightly improper, is too good to be left out. The story was evidently invented as a hit at the supposed ambition of the Hoovers to get to the White House. It tells how Mrs. Hoover was being shown over White House by Mrs. Wilson. The two entered the great bedroom. "Ah," said Mrs. Hoover, looking longingly at the great bed, "I wonder when I shall sleep there." Said Mrs. Wilson: "You should not believe all the stories you hear about my husband, Mrs. Hoover."

Possibly the facts in the following row spent, could be presented in a different light. [We mentally make that proviso in the case of everything we write.] We tell it as it was told to us, and as it is going the rounds. Police-constable Kenneally, who has just gone home, went hence to the war. At the time he was demobilized, he had only "a few months" of his contract to complete. [That is too vague to have point.] We believe his contract really should have extended to the end of May next. However, he announced that he did not intend to stay in the Force after his contract expired. Notwithstanding that, they brought him out, and now already they have sent him back. Was it worth it, to pay passage both ways for such a short time?

Under this heading the *Straits Echo* prints this well constructed paragraph: Judging from the trend of recent legislation quite a number of people in this country do not realize or have never been informed that the war which began in 1914 is practically over and that there is now to all intents and purposes "a peace on." Hun-hating in its more intense forms and Hun-baiting, which, even from 1914 to 1919 were principally confined to super-patriots of doubtful nationality and unimpaired age in Fleet Street, are to-day the proud monopoly of Mr. Horatio Bottomley and Mr. Robert Sievier, for even the profiteering manufacturer is too busy dodging the excess profits tax to do more than just smile an oily grin over the Colonies which are so disinterestedly excluding his competitors and are now being sedulously schooled to endure high prices indefinitely in order that he may continue to enjoy a preference in their markets.

"I wish to goodness," said the *Mail's* sub-editor, "that people who WORRIES don't know what a 'proffer' is would cease using the verb form. They will write 'proffered,' with one f. Prefer and proffered have one f each. Proffer and proffered should have two." The poor fellow deserves our pity. Bad writing, bad spelling, and infamous punctuation are spoiling his temper.

While we are CONSTITUTIONAL waiting for CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM, there can be no harm in considering quietly how we can best manage without it. A change of tone and bearing in official circles needs no amending ordinance, but only *de bonis volis* error, and a recognition of the undeniable fact that the war has made a difference that is as big and as real as an unwritten law can be. The old pose of bureaucracy that it is omniscient and paternal and finally authoritative now only raises laughter or frowns, according to the temperament of the observer. The "unofficial" member is no longer to be tolerated, "on sufferance," or snubbed according to circumstances. It is openly recognized in much bigger places than Hongkong that unofficial opinion should carry more weight than official. Red tape and domineering ways will hasten the changes that threaten, so that (from a Bolshevik point of view) they should not be deprecated. To prevent its public turning to Radicalism, the old regime would be

wise to turn itself to Liberalism. Toryism is dead.

ALL those stories now going the rounds of the Press about pearls that breed, grow, or multiply (on a diet of rice) are absolute rot. The fact that names of well-known people are connected with them proves nothing. The really sporting liar prefers to add verisimilitudinous details of that sort. In Hawaii they believe in male and female stones, and the Mayor of Honolulu personally vouches for a case in which the stones in a bridge bred and multiplied till they buckled the bridge! Even these stories are inferior to some in a spiritualistic paper called *Light*, recently shown to us. There is an epidemic of credulity just now.

One of our correspondents wants a public auditorium as a war memorial. "Supposing Lloyd George or Clemenceau came here, we have no hall big enough to hold all who would desire to hear him." It is now too late for fresh suggestions. The All-Highest has decided on the \$300,000 plus \$800,000 stunt.

The earlier messages of Admiral Sims were so vague as to make possible the impression that he was officially informed that America would just as soon fight Britain as Germany. To-day's wire makes it a wash-out. It was only hot-air, two gallant sailors gossiping. It is a pity that Sims ever repeated it. Forget it.

A letter published elsewhere in this issue reminds us that people dwelling in a glass house should not indulge in stone throwing. It certainly was odd to talk of race prejudice on those lines, in an athletic club, where it is understood that Chinese applicants for membership are always pilled.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Today's dollar is worth 5s. 4d.

The war terminated (officially) on Jan. 10.

March 26 (yesterday) was notified as the date on which the repeal of former Volunteer ordinances became effective.

The Gazette announces that the "Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps" is now lawfully formed, and to be designated by that style.

The Hon. Secretary of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club advises us that the March Bogeys Pool was won by Mr. F. B. Marshall, 1 down, 18 cards were taken out.

India with an area of 1,900,000 square miles and a population of 315,000,000 shows 2298,000,000 worth of trade. Malaya with an area of 53,960 square miles and a population of 2,500,000 shows £163,306,000 worth of trade.

OUR BELATED MAIL.

Mr. Pollock having asked what Government was doing to ensure the more regular delivery of mails, via Suez, the following answer appeared in the *Gazette*:

"The inconvenience cannot be remedied by any action of this Government as it is due to the abnormal shipping conditions at the present time. The Postal Authorities in London endeavour to send the mails by the quickest route available and the recent exceptional delays in the delivery of certain mails were due to the delay and diversion of vessels of the Ocean Steamship Company for purposes which were not known to the Postal Authorities at the time when the mails were put on board."

It has now been arranged that all mails will be despatched by the Indian mail, that is by the weekly service via Marseilles, Bombay and Negapatnam and it is hoped that this arrangement will prove more satisfactory.

HOUSING PROBLEM.

OUR GOVERNMENT MOVES.

The Government is willing to lend money to persons proposing to build residences.

Applications for such advances should be addressed to the Colonial Treasurer.

The Governor has appointed Messrs. Traiman, Pollock, Lau Chup-ak, and Holyoak to form a committee for the purpose of advising the Government regarding the advance of money from public funds to persons proposing to build houses for residential purposes.

The quotation is from to-day's *Government Gazette*.

THE WEEK'S CHAT.

Ever since my pen has been at the disposal of anyone who appears to have a genuine grievance, I have been asked to put many questions, about various organizations and institutions in this town. When a sufficient number have approached me upon one subject and have proved to me that they have tried to investigate or to obtain redress through every source at their disposal, and have failed, I gather up their gossip and their grievance and offer them the publicity of this column where they can challenge contradiction.

One is always glad to hear both sides of a grievance, but it is not always easy to get those in authority to condescend to explain the why and wherefore of their actions.

During the last six months many past and present subscribing members, and, indirectly, inmates of the Helena May Institute, have asked me to inquire into the workings of the Institute. Very few of the members appear to know anything about the constitution or rules, even among members of sub-committees. This ignorance is noticeable. It was difficult to decide whether this was the result of their own indifference or of a conspiracy of silence.

From general report I gathered that it was not customary to hold an annual general meeting of subscribing members or to issue an annual report of the work done. To all intents and purposes the Institute appeared to be a glorified boarding school, with Sunday School by-laws.

Anyone who joined was welcome provided they were eligible for election existing conditions, with a blind faith in the controlling powers, and were bound to obey the by-laws without question.

The council appeared also to have almost unlimited power to dismiss members, or inmates or to modify existing and impose new regulations or rules as they thought fit.

Further complaint stated that rules and regulations were supposed to be known by instinct and that it was possible for some unfortunate resident to be given her charge for unconsciously transgressing some unwritten law. It was stated: in fact, that upon more than one occasion such action had been taken, resulting in considerable conflict and the eventual resignation of certain members, as a protest.

I found it difficult to accept or believe these statements—so difficult, that I asked one or two members of the governing council to give me an explanation, for it seemed incredible that a club could exist, when members had no say in the government or the election of the council.

The reply was that the Institute was a Limited Liability Company with a certain number of shareholders who formed the council and had complete control. According to their articles of association their affairs were private. Therefore they were not obliged to publish a statement of accounts or a yearly report. Filled with curiosity I sent my name in for election feeling that as a member I should have the right to know all about the Club I had joined. My notification of election reached me and to my surprise was not accompanied by a copy of the constitution or rules and regulations of the club, so I immediately wrote and asked for one.

An officer of the council courteously sent me her copy entitled "Memorandum and Articles of Association of The Helena May Institute for Women," drawn up by a well known firm of local solicitors.

A covering note explained that this book was not generally issued to subscribing members, but as I appeared to be interested, she had much pleasure in lending me her copy.

So far as I can make out, in my ignorance of legal matters, there is no opening for fault finding in these articles, excepting that from beginning to end, they are based upon a retrogressive and wrong principle.

A small number of women, however capable, however honest, should not be allowed to control the interests of a large number without let or hindrance. Modern welfare work is founded on the basic idea of co-operation and co-adjustment.

The only excuse for the existing form of control would be, if it was a money-making boarding house or school run by a small company of shareholders who filled their establishment on their own terms or not at all.

This Institute however is not an ordinary boarding house and it is distinctly stated in the articles of association in section (a) of article 3 that one of the objects is: "To provide for the religious, moral and general welfare of the women and girls of the Colony of Hongkong." (b) To carry on the business of club proprietors providing for the use of its members and subscribers the means of social intercourse, mutual helpfulness, mental and moral improvement, and rational recreation and the other advantages of a club.

Another interesting regulation which I find has apparently been ignored during the last few years is: (m) To adopt such means of making known the work produced by the Institute, as may seem expedient and in particular advertising in the Press, by circulars, etc., etc.

Two of the above regulations prove the right of the members to consider

themselves aggrieved, the one admitting that it is a club, the other admitting the necessity for publicity.

In the first case the place is not run like a club. In the second, publicity and knowledge of the work produced by the Institute, is only available for those women who can command either by their personality or their position, the privilege of acquaintance with members of the council, who may if they feel so disposed, grant you such information or such access to their books, as they consider fit.

In article 50 the principle of taking members into the confidence of the council is acknowledged. "The council shall adopt such means as they deem sufficient to bring to the notice of shareholders and subscribing members and visitors all such by-laws, amendments and repeals; and all such by-laws, so long as they shall be in force, shall be binding upon all shareholders, subscribing members and visitors of the Institute."

In all these regulations the council is protected by the saving clause of "as they think fit," and there does not appear to be one legitimate cause for complaint or one opening for a subscribing member or paying boarder to be able to agitate for reform.

The whole principle, while built upon wise and cautious regulations is undermined by being so cleverly worked that the council, which appoints its own members has uncontrolled control, so to speak.

There is no court of appeal, it is simply a question of take us or leave us, come to salvation and to a comfortable home, on our conditions, or remain in outer darkness.

The Institute is an inviting home to women travellers and women workers; the charges are reasonable; and I am told that from a house keeping point of view conditions are all that one could wish for. There is no apparent reason why it should not be the ideal home for Christian women. But according to almost unanimous report the inmates feel cramped and oppressed by the boarding school atmosphere and the feeling that though they are grown up, respectable women, the management is controlling them and trying to run the place according to the ideas of what is right and proper in the opinion of a certain number of women who have known very little of the rough and tumble of life, whose circumstances on the whole preclude them from understanding the working woman's point of view or ideas of life. In any case it would be all to the good to allow of more co-operation between members of the council, subscribing members and inmates. Too much power is not good for anyone, and immunity from criticism leads to self-righteous conceit. That again leads to an abuse of power. The ideal control for such an institution, if it is absolutely necessary to have a committee, would be to have that committee elected by all members and inmates. Most certainly, inmates should be represented on the committee.

If it is impossible, as is most likely the case, to alter the system of running the present institution it seems a pity that some enterprising soul does not start an independent Residential Club for working women or women travelling alone, where the only restrictions put upon their coming and going should be similar to those controlling a man's club. I do not, of course, assert that the discontent and complaints are justified, or that the alleged atmosphere of unchristian intolerance and distrust exists; but there is very little doubt that many women feel that much as they need a safe and comfortable shelter, they would rather put up with great inconvenience and incongenial surroundings in cheap rooms, than give up their liberty by entering the only institute of its kind in Hongkong.

In view of the talk and discussion that is going on in the town I should welcome any public correspondence or information from anyone interested in the control or merely in the general utility of the Helena May Institute.

Social life has been pretty gay this week. In spite of the small houses at the Theatre Royal, quite a number of dinner and theatre parties have been made up for the short season.

The weather has on the whole been glorious—an occasional grey and foggy day—but mostly interludes of brilliant sunshine.

Mails have been coming in fairly regularly, helping one to feel more in touch with the home folk, and almost everyone seems to be facing the hot weather in a sufficiently optimistic frame of mind.

Members are reminded that the first monthly meeting of the Art Club is to take place at Mrs. Basil Taylor's residence, "Kenil," The Peak, on Monday, 29th. Tea will be served. Anyone who is interested will be cordially welcomed. There are, I believe, quite a number of new members, and some pretty useful work is to be shown on Monday. Everyone is hoping that our new acquisition to art circles, Mrs. Britten will show us some local sketches.

—THE GOSSIP.

Two new Launches are being built for the "WALLA-WALLA" Boat. Phone No. 3516.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong was held at the rooms of the Institution, King's Building, last evening.

Mr. R. M. Dyer, the President, acted as Chairman. The attendance was considerable, and a majority of the Committee were present, including Messrs. Frost, Grey, Oswald, Armstrong, Cameron, Davidson, Hunter and Baker.

The President opened the new business of the meeting with the following remarks:—Gentlemen.—The Reports and Accounts having been in your possession for the past two weeks I will with your kind permission take them as read. They are very complete and do not call for comment on my part further than saying that I think we can again congratulate ourselves on another successful year's working. To those of us who have been in the Colony for the past few years the continued prosperity of this institution is a matter of great satisfaction and the thanks of all members are due to the successive committees of management who have guided its affairs during that time, a by no means easy task, and one which entailed a great deal of labour and self-sacrifice.

I well remember, when as a new comer in this Colony, you were kind enough to ask me to respond to the toast of "Engineering and Shipbuilding" in Hongkong at your annual dinner. On that occasion I recalled to memory the words of the most eminent Colonial Secretary we have had, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, who at his Rectorial address to the students of Glasgow University took as his text the Biblical saying "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

Gentlemen, it appears to me that the engineers and shipbuilders of Hongkong had anticipated the right honourable gentleman's advice because one feature of the Colony since its inception has been the gradual development of our industries to keep pace with the requirements of this port. It reflects the greatest credit on those of our profession who were here before us, and it is up to us who have followed them to see that we do not fall behind.

We are all aware that climatic conditions in Hongkong, and other little matters, do not lend always to very strenuous mental or bodily work, but may I venture to again quote another great man, Lord Kelvin, who took for over fifty years as the subject of an opening address to his students, "The superiority of Mind over Matter," and request you to keep the idea of that lecture prominently before you. You will then doubtless overcome all your daily worries, promptly forget that they ever existed, and success will reward your efforts.

The past few years have seen considerable expansions in all directions in this Colony and I trust that the energy and undiminished vitality of this institution is sufficient evidence that the engineers and shipbuilders are determined not to fall out of line. With these few words and before formally proposing the adoption of the Reports and Accounts I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions members may like to ask me.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Reports and Accounts be adopted as read.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was announced as the next business of the Meeting. Mr. Dyer nominated Mr. Neave for President, and in introducing him remarked that Mr. Neave was a very old member of the Institution, and one of the most experienced and best qualified engineers in Hongkong. He said further that if Mr. Neave were elected, he hoped he would receive the same support which had been extended to himself during his Presidential term.

The nomination of Mr. Neave as President was seconded by Mr. Hunter and carried unanimously.

In extending his thanks for the honour conferred upon him, Mr. Neave remarked that he would have to work hard in order to meet with the same success as his predecessor in office, as the last year had been exceedingly successful.

Messrs. R. Hunter and B. L. Frost were nominated for Vice-Presidents. In nominating them Mr. Dyer said that these gentlemen had been the backbone of the Club and by electing them the members were honouring the Institution. The election of these two officers was effected unanimously. Both gentlemen returned thanks for the honours shown them.

The other Officers elected for the year were Mr. P. T. Farrell, Hon. Secretary, Mr. Brown, Hon. Treasurer, and Mr. Frost, Hon. Librarian.

In returning thanks Mr. Frost stated he had many iron in the fire just now, but that he would do his best with the library in arranging for both technical and fiction sections.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Mathews were re-elected Auditors at the remuneration of \$350 per annum.

It was moved, seconded, and carried after a short debate, that

BILLIARDS.

YVANOVICH WINS AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

At the V.R.C. last night P. A. Yvanovich beat K. K. Leung (holder) by 350 points in a game of 1,000 up for the amateur billiard championship of the Colony, the game commanding the attention of a good number of billiards enthusiasts.

The opening stages of the match were marked by the inability of the champion to get going, his opponent on the other hand compiling points rapidly. Yvanovich put up a break of 34 a few minutes after the start and, following it by 45 and 23, had a lead of 97 points over his opponent, the first half hour's play ending with the board showing Yvanovich 152, Leung 30. The match on the form exhibited seemed a certainty for Yvanovich, especially as he reached the 200 mark, with the other still in the fifties. Leung's first break of any consequence was 34, but when he reached his first hundred he was 130 to the lead, and another unproductive session saw him in a still worse position the scores being 312-144. The game had then been in progress for about 70 minutes, Yvanovich made breaks of 30 and 24 between 200 and 300. After this Leung came on strongly giving an exhibition more like his true form. He pulled down his adverse score by breaks of 43 and 38, playing excellent billiards, so that after 80 minutes play Yvanovich's lead had been reduced to 98. The players hung together for some time after this, Yvanovich maintaining a lead of about 100. At the interval the scores read—

Yvanovich 502
Leung 391

After the interval Leung quickly reached the 400 mark and raised his score to 432, his best contribution being 26. Yvanovich's total standing at 509. The challenger reached 600 with his opponent 150 behind, and he made his position still better by a break of 83. A few minutes later he compiled a splendid 52, which practically made the game safe as his score was 704, with a lead of over 200. The Portuguese player continued to score rapidly, passing 900 with a break of 53. The final scores read—

Yvanovich 1000
Leung 680

At the conclusion of the match the cups were presented by Capt. Evans, Yvanovich receiving the championship cup and one for the highest break in the tournament (76). Mr. S. Gray received the runner up cup and Mr. Leung a consolation cup.

HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Club against the R. E. at Happy Valley on Wednesday next 31st inst., bully off at 5.15 p.m.:—J. P. Jones, M. L. Ralston, C. C. Hickling, V. C. Smyth, E. J. R. Mitchell, B. C. Hale, R. A. Brand, E. L. Sim, A. K. Mackenzie, J. V. Braga, and B. D. Evans.

£100 be donated to St. Dunstan's Home, as has been the practice of the Institution in the past. Mr. H. A. Smyth wished to contribute £10 additional, to the same charity, making a total donation of £110.

The following members were elected to serve on the Committee during the year: Messrs. Budge, Hunter, McCubbin, Russell, Armstrong, Paton, Bannerman, Paterson and Stokes. A beautiful tea set of English silver was given to Mr. Baker, retiring Hon. Secretary, and Mrs. Baker. Mr. Frost remarked that Mr. Baker had acted as Hon. Secretary for about 4-1/2 years, and had carried out his duties as the members all knew, with greatest tact and ability. He did not think any member could say that Mr. Baker had dealt harshly with him, and said that Mr. Baker had performed yeoman service during his long term in office and he could not be expected to serve any longer, giving time to the Club that he could just as well devote to his home and family. Mr. Frost alluded to the financial success of the Club under Mr. Baker, and stated that when Mr. Baker entered office they had a credit balance of £47, while to-day they had something like £14,000, largely due to the efforts of Messrs. Baker and Stalker. Mr. Baker had performed his duties without a grudge. (Applause.)

Mr. Dyer, in making the presentation to Mr. Baker, said that the retiring Hon. Secretary had really pulled the Institution out of the fire, and trusted that Mr. and Mrs. Baker would long be spared to make use of the silver tea-service.

Mr. Baker replied that he had been caught napping, had no idea that this presentation was to be made, and was not prepared to make a speech. He said he was proud of the gift and prouder still that the Institution had prospered whilst he was in office and that his policies met with the approval of the members. On behalf of himself and Mrs. Baker he expressed his heartfelt thanks.

Mr. Reid called upon the members to give Mr. Dyer a vote of thanks, which was done unanimously, and the meeting closed.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

The twenty-third ordinary general meeting of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., was held at the offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Shaw, Tomes & Co., St. George's Building, to-day at 11 a.m.

Mr. R. G. Sheehan presided and there were present Messrs. G. V. Barton, G. M. Dodwell and U. P. On, Consulting Committee, Mr. W. J. Barker, A.C.I.S. (Secretary), Messrs. R. A. Ferguson, J. M. Gordon, W. H. Smith, M. A. Figueiredo, G. H. May, A. A. Cordeiro, J. Toppin, M. S. Northcote, R. Henderson and C. Stafford.

After the Secretary had read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said: Gentlemen, You will have seen from the report which has been in your hands for some days, and which I assume I may now take as read, that our earnings for 1919 show a marked improvement on those for the previous year.

Our net profits for division amount to \$175,219.99 as against \$126,658.69 for 1918, and we propose to allocate this as follows:—
To place to Reserve Fund \$35,000.00
To "Depreciation and Repairs Account" 25,000.00
And to "Claims for Short and Damaged Cargo, Bad and Doubtful Debts Accounts" 15,000.00
To pay Bonus to Staff 2,667.00
To pay a Dividend of 7 per cent. or 70 cents per share 87,500.00
And to carry forward to the credit of next year's Account 9,652.99

As you know, we have had to provide for heavy repairs in some years which seriously affected our earnings, and to equalise this in future we propose to open a Depreciation and Repairs Account, on which we can draw when necessary for special repairs or depreciation. We think it advisable to include depreciation, although at present we have little to provide for in this respect.

We also wish to provide against bad debts and claims, although we have had so far few bad debts and not very heavy claims, we are liable to suffer under both these heads, especially in regard to damage to cargo which cannot sometimes, even with the greatest possible care, be avoided.

The bonus to staff will doubtless meet with your approval, but I may mention that in future "provident" Accounts on the usual terms will be kept with the members of the staff.

There is nothing in the accounts that requires explanation, but I may say that the improvement in our earnings is shared by both our Loans and Storage Departments. Whether we shall succeed in maintaining this improvement remains to be seen. We are doing very well just now, and can but hope that this state of things will continue. The best condition for us is a brisk movement of cargo in and out, and I fear that we can hardly hope for that while rates for exchange keep so high, and the silver market so erratic and unreliable.

I now move that the report and accounts as presented to this meeting be adopted, and that the profits shown be distributed as proposed. When that has been seconded I shall be glad to answer any questions from shareholders.

Mr. Ferguson: I have much pleasure in seconding that.

The Chairman: It has been proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. Ferguson that the report and accounts as presented and the distribution of the profits be passed. Those in favour please hold up their hands. Against? Carried unanimously. The next business is the re-election of the Consulting Committee.

Mr. Northcote: I beg to propose that Messrs. G. V. Barton, G. M. Dodwell and U. P. On be re-elected to the Consulting Committee.

Mr. May: I have much pleasure in seconding that.

The Chairman: It has been proposed by Mr. Northcote and seconded by Mr. May that Messrs. Barton, Dodwell and U. P. On be re-elected to the Consulting Committee. Will all in favour kindly hold up their hands? Against? Carried unanimously. The next business is the re-election of auditors.

Mr. Barton: I beg to propose that Messrs. F. Maitland and H. Percy Smith be re-elected auditors for the current year at a remuneration of \$200 each.

Mr. Dodwell: I have much pleasure in seconding that.

The Chairman: It has been proposed by Mr. Barton and seconded by Mr. Dodwell that Messrs. F. Maitland and H. Percy Smith be re-elected auditors for the ensuing year. Those in favour? Against? Carried unanimously. That is all the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready on Monday morning.

RUB IT IN.

A good many people think rheumatism cannot be cured without taking nauseous medicines. Chamberlain's Pain Balm massaged thoroughly into the skin has cured far more rheumatism than any internal remedy in existence, and gives relief quicker. For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

NOT A BAD CASE.

At the Magistracy this morning, before Mr. N. L. Smith, an eleven year old Chinese boy was charged with stabbing another boy with a pen knife in Bridges Street yesterday.

The defendant said the complainant hit him in the eye first, and as the complainant was a bigger boy than he, he had to use the knife against him.

The complaint, who was present in Court, was trying his best to make it appear that he was suffering intensely, and this aroused the Magistrate's humour.

Addressing Inspector O'Sullivan who was in charge of the case, his Worship said with a smile: Let us have the dying man's story.

Asked by the interpreter to tell the Court all about the quarrel, the complainant said he went to the latrine yesterday, and found it engaged. He waited for about an hour, and still it was not vacated, so he called out to the defendant to hurry up. Without any warning, the defendant suddenly rushed out with an open knife and stabbed witness in the chest.

His Worship: What did you do? Did you hit him?—No, he ran away immediately after stabbing me.

His Worship: Who arrested me?—Despite the fact that I was dying, I chased him and caught him. (Laughter.)

Calling the defendant's uncle who was in Court, his Worship said the boy was very naughty, and apparently dangerous.

The uncle said the defendant had not dared stab anyone before. He thought he did it under great provocation. The complainant was a bigger boy, and tried to bully the defendant, and naturally, he retaliated the best way he could. He thought the defendant would not do it again. He is a very good boy when left alone.

Eight strokes with a rattan.

OBITUARY.

MRS. W. G. HUMPHREYS.

The many friends of Mrs. W. G. Humphreys will be sorry to learn of her death in Montclair Hospital, New York, after undergoing an operation. Mrs. Humphreys was a very highly respected resident in the Colony having lived here for over 45 years. She was about 62 years of age and was the widow of the late Mr. W. G. Humphreys, founder of the firm of W. G. Humphreys and Company, occupying premises on Duddell Street.

As Mrs. Humphreys declared in her will to be interred, on death, in the family vault in the Protestant Cemetery at Happy Valley, beside the remains of her late husband, it is expected that her body will be brought to Hongkong for burial.

ANOTHER PROHIBITION RESULT.

A marked increase in the consumption of tobacco has been made since war-time prohibition became effective. Figures just compiled by the Internal Revenue Department show that the tobacco business has almost doubled since July 1 in the Northern California district. Sales of tobacco stamps for the year ending June 30, 1918, amounted to \$1,538,696.88; for the year ending June 30, 1919, when war-time prohibition became effective, \$2,534,453.92; for the last six months of 1919, being the first half of the fiscal year 1919-1920, \$1,702,748.71. Part of the increase is due to the rise in the price of tobacco stamps, the rate for cigarettes now being \$3 a thousand, against \$2.05. Tobacco and cigar taxes have also been increased.

The great demand for "smokes" by soldiers in Europe caused the increased consumption of tobacco last year over the year previous, according to Justus S. Wardell, Collector of Internal Revenue.

San Francisco is getting to be a centre of the tobacco manufacturing industry, one factory alone making 8,000,000 cigarettes a month.

The sale of liquor revenue stamps for the year ending June 30, 1918, was \$18,437,302.90; for the year ending June 30, 1919, \$19,040,672.19; for the half year ending December 31, 1919, \$4,644,828.27. See *San Francisco Chronicle*.

Inspector Da'it brought a pick-pocket before Mr. Smith this morning. The magistrate put the rascal away for a month of honest toil.

A Chinese, a *jok* employed by a firm in No. 6, Winglung Street, was mysteriously found murdered outside No. 49, Praya Central, early this morning. There was an ugly stab wound on the left side of the chest, penetrating the heart. With the absence of any clue, the Police are greatly handicapped in tracing the mysterious murderer. It is thought that this was the result of some long standing grudge which existed between the deceased man and some unknown person, for it is certain that robbery was not the cause of the murder, and everything on the deceased's person was untouched. The body was identified in the mortuary by other *joks* of No. 6 Winglung Street.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL.

HOLLAND DEFEATS ENGLAND ON HONGKONG GROUND.

A fairly evenly contested international football match was played between teams representing Holland and England on the Club ground last evening, in aid of St. Dunstan's Home for blind soldiers and sailors. The grand stand which was loaned to those responsible for the arrangements of the match, was filled to its utmost capacity—members of the local Dutch community and officers and men of the Dutch Warships predominating—and a fairly good sum was collected for the worthy cause.

Holland was represented by Zeyverin and Boysen of the Hongkong Football Club and nine other men picked from the Dutch Warships, whilst the Staff and Department's team represented England.

Taken on the whole, it was not possible to become enthusiastic over the match, only occasionally did the match become interesting, at other times, the football exhibited by both sides left much wanting. The feature of yesterday's match was the clean football played. The absence of fouls, other than unintentional ones was noteworthy.

England kicked off with eight men and did their best to make up for the shortage by dashing play, but the Hollanders showed that they were thoroughly acquainted with the game and checked their opponents' onrush. Speed was not one of the assets of the Dutch team, however, and despite their combination and trickiness, they were at first unable to get past Scouler in the back line. The handicap of playing minus two wingers and one half back, soon told on the Englishmen however, and during one of the Hollanders' attacks, Zeyverin managed to dribble the ball past Lt. Hammond and then put in a lofty shot which Glenn mistook as going over the cross bar, and did not attempt to save. Thus the Hollanders drew first blood. England was reinforced soon afterwards by three late comers, and play became more evenly balanced. Although England did a lot of attacking at this juncture, they found the defence sound. The services of Townsend, their smart centre forward was badly missed by the English team, and their combination did not prove as effective as it usually is. Play became very dull after a while, with the ball mostly in mid-field. What time the ball managed to get to either end of the field, the defence always proved too good for the forwards.

In the second moiety, England played a fast game. They were undoubtedly out to score. They got in front of goal on several occasions and put in some difficult shots, but the Dutch goalie who knows his work well did not allow anything to get past him. Soon the heat of the afternoon told, and play once more slowed down to an uninteresting mid-field struggle in which the honours were evenly divided. Towards the close the Englishmen again exerted themselves for an equalizer but the Dutch goalie defended successfully. The cool way he behaved when sandwiched by two of the English forwards who were eager to kick the ball out of his hands, won for him much applause.

The game ended in a win for Holland by one goal to nil. Mr. F. Black was the referee.

TENNIS.

H.K.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

Yesterday's games in the H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament resulted as follows.

Championship Singles.—M. W. Lo beat E. Takanaga, 6-4, 6-0, 6-2; D. Blenkiron beat G. Akai, 6-4, 6-0, 6-2. Championship Doubles.—M. Lo, Maas and Capt. Monteith w.o. from Mr. P. Lo and Chui Sin Kai; R. Hancock and J. S. Jennings w.o. from Major Bagnall and Major Hidding; E. de Sousa and F. Prata beat Wei Lai San and Yew Man Toun, 6-1, 7-5, 5-7, 7-5.

Handicap Singles "A".—G. Miskin (rec. 5/6) beat Capt. Davies (owes 2/6), 6-2, 7-5.

Handicap Doubles.—Lieut. Col. Taylor and Col. Humphry (scr.) beat J. B. Penman and L. Forster (owes 1/5), 7-5, 6-4; M. M. Maas and A. B. Raworth (owes 3/6) beat A. C. Leith and R. Bruce (rec. 4/6), 6-3, 6-0.

Mixed Handicap Doubles.—F. A. Redmond and Mrs. Winslow (owes 1/5) beat Capt. Gray and Mrs. Gray (rec. 1/5), 6-3, 6-4; Major Ardoino and Mrs. Moxon (owes 1/5) beat G. R. Sayer and Mrs. Sayer (scr.), 6-4, 5-7, 6-1; Major Greenaway and Mrs. Greenaway (owes 1/5) beat E. W. Day and Mrs. Day (rec. 1/5), 6-1, 11-9.

CHARTERED BANK DIVIDEND.

At the approaching Annual General Meeting of shareholders the Directors will recommend that a dividend be declared for the past half year at the rate of 14% per annum and a bonus of £15, after share-free of income tax, that £100,000 be added to the Reserve Fund, that £25,000 be added to Officers' Superannuation Fund, that £75,000 be written off Premises Account and that £172,830.810 be carried forward.

SEATTLE TO JAPAN.

ADMIRAL LINE TO ESTABLISH FAST SERVICE.

Mr. John J. Gorman, General Agent of the Admiral Line, Pacific Steamship Company, for the Far East with his headquarters at Shanghai, has returned from a three months' visit, to the head office of the Company at Seattle. With Mr. Gorman is Mr. George J. McCarthy, who is making a trip to the principal ports of Japan and China to investigate passenger conditions there and report to the company.

Speaking to the *Japan Advertiser* on his way through Mr. Gorman said: "It is our wish and intention to establish a fast passenger service between Japan and Seattle in order to accommodate the increasing traffic of tourists and business men who are coming in greater numbers to Japan. We are doing this in anticipation of the allocation by the United States Shipping Board of several large passenger steamers to the Admiral Line for operation. At present it is not definitely known just when the first steamer will leave Seattle, but we expect the service will be in operation before summer. The frequency of sailings after the service is inaugurated will depend upon the number of steamers allotted to us."

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They should do much to relieve the congestion of travel between Japan and the United States. People of the United States are becoming better acquainted with the wonderful scenery and temperate climate of Japan and will come in greater numbers to spend their vacations here. Fast transportation will do much to stimulate travel in this direction.

Mr. George J. McCarthy is making the journey to the principal ports of Japan, Yokohama and Kobe for the purpose of reporting the condition of passenger traffic to the Company. He will continue his trip to gather the same information in regard to China and the Philippines and return about May 1, to his permanent headquarters at Shanghai.

"I will leave Yokohama in a few days for Kobe and after a short stay there will continue on to Shanghai and after straightening out affairs there will visit all the Admiral Line agencies in the Far East and shortly after will go to Singapore and open up an additional office there."

Commencing with the steamer *Iconium*, which is scheduled to leave Seattle in May, a regular monthly service will be inaugurated between Seattle and Singapore. The total number of Shipping Board steamers operated by the Admiral Line to all ports of the world is 88. In addition we have 25 vessels of our own in the coastwise service in the States, extending from Cape Nome, Alaska to Panama. In addition to Pacific ports, Admiral Line steamers run to the Mediterranean, Europe, England, New York, Boston, Cuba and Gulf Ports.

Mr. McCarthy, who is in Yokohama with Mr. Gorman is connected with the passenger department of the Admiral Line and has been with the Company for many years. He is well and favourably known in every port on the Pacific Coast from San Diego to Alaska.

On March 12 they were all busy in conference with Mr. H. K. Laird, law, the agent of the Company at Yokohama, and Mr. E. E. Johnson agent at Kobe, in his office. Mr. Gorman and Mrs. McCarthy are also making the journey to Far East ports.

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[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Dear Sir,—I should be very much obliged if you could publish the following letter in your "Every body's Paper":

In the course of his speech at the V.R.C. Championship Billiard Match last night, Mr. R.H.B. Mitchell remarked that he was sure there were many more good billiard players who did not enter for the Championship of the Colony. He attributed this fact to Racial Prejudice.

I am sure Mr. Mitchell is right in saying so. I have experienced that myself when in 1918 I was put up to be a member of the V.R.C. by two well known members of that Club. I had not the least idea that the balloting committee would be so prejudiced, but the fact is that I was nevertheless "blackballed". It does not however follow that Mr. Mitchell's remark can be applied in the same light to the balloting committee of the V.R.C. I should like to know how, and what kind of people are admitted as members to the V.R.C. My record as a prominent member of more than one sporting club of Hongkong is and always will be a clean one.

Your etc.,
J. A. LAM.

APPOINTMENTS GAZETTED.

Mr. O. D. Canesco as Consul for Peru.

Mr. Albert Denison as a member of the Licensing Board.

Mr. E. V. D. Farr as an unofficial member of the Legislative Council.

Messrs. P. H. Holyoak and A. C. Little as members of the Architects Committee.

Major L. G. Bird as commandant (Lieut. Col.) of the Volunteers.

Major G. F. E. Rapson as adjutant.

Mr. D. W. Tratman as director of widows and orphans' pensions.

Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne as Registrar of the Supreme Court.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. W. Logan & Co. report on March 26:

During the week under review a good amount of business has been put through, principally liquidations for the approaching settlement which takes place on the 30th inst. The Shanghai market continues its upward course the price of all cotton and dock shares having considerably improved.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks, after sales at \$580, are now on offer at \$575.

Marine Insurances.—Cantons have risen from \$425 to a buying quotation of \$435. Unions might be placed at \$182½.

Shipping.—Macao Steamboats are wanted at \$20; Deferred Indos at \$208, and Star Ferries at \$25.

Refineries.—Choon Sugars, sales have taken place at \$180/181 and more shares are wanted at \$182. Malabons are quiet with sellers at \$41.

Docks and Wharves.—Kowloon Docks have improved, business having taken place at \$159/8 and are now required for \$161½. Shanghai Docks have jumped 1/5, 5 per share and can be placed at 1/5, 125 cash and 1/5, 132 June. Kowloon Wharves have changed hand in big quantities and have buyers at \$82.

Miscellaneous.—Cements sales have taken place at \$6½ (ex div. of 80 cents) and shares are now wanted at \$8.40. China Providents have buyers at \$8; Dairy Farms at \$22; Steam Laundries at \$3½; Water, Boats at \$11½; China Lights \$7.30 (old) and \$5.30 (new), and Wisemanns \$27½ all buyers.

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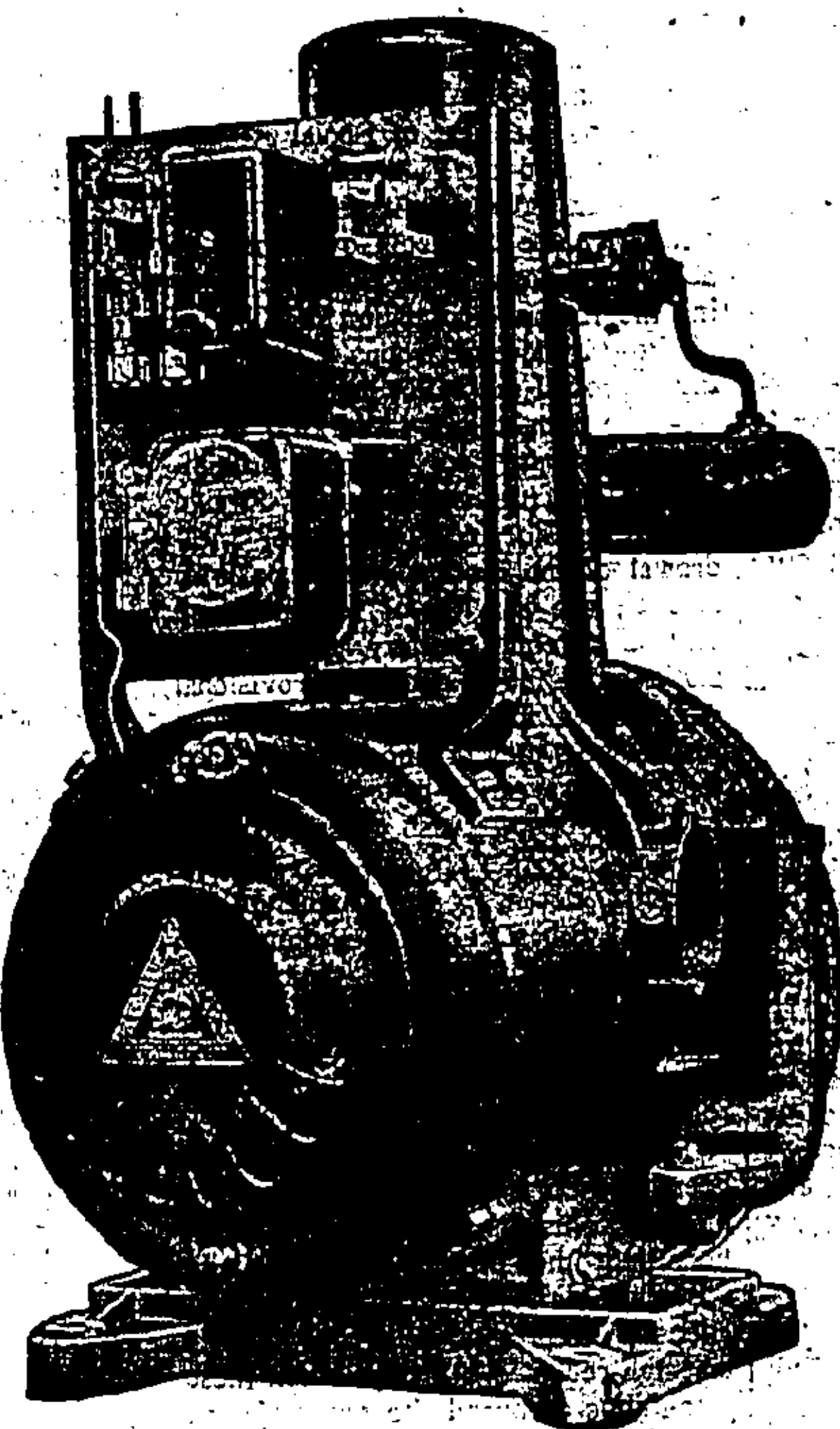
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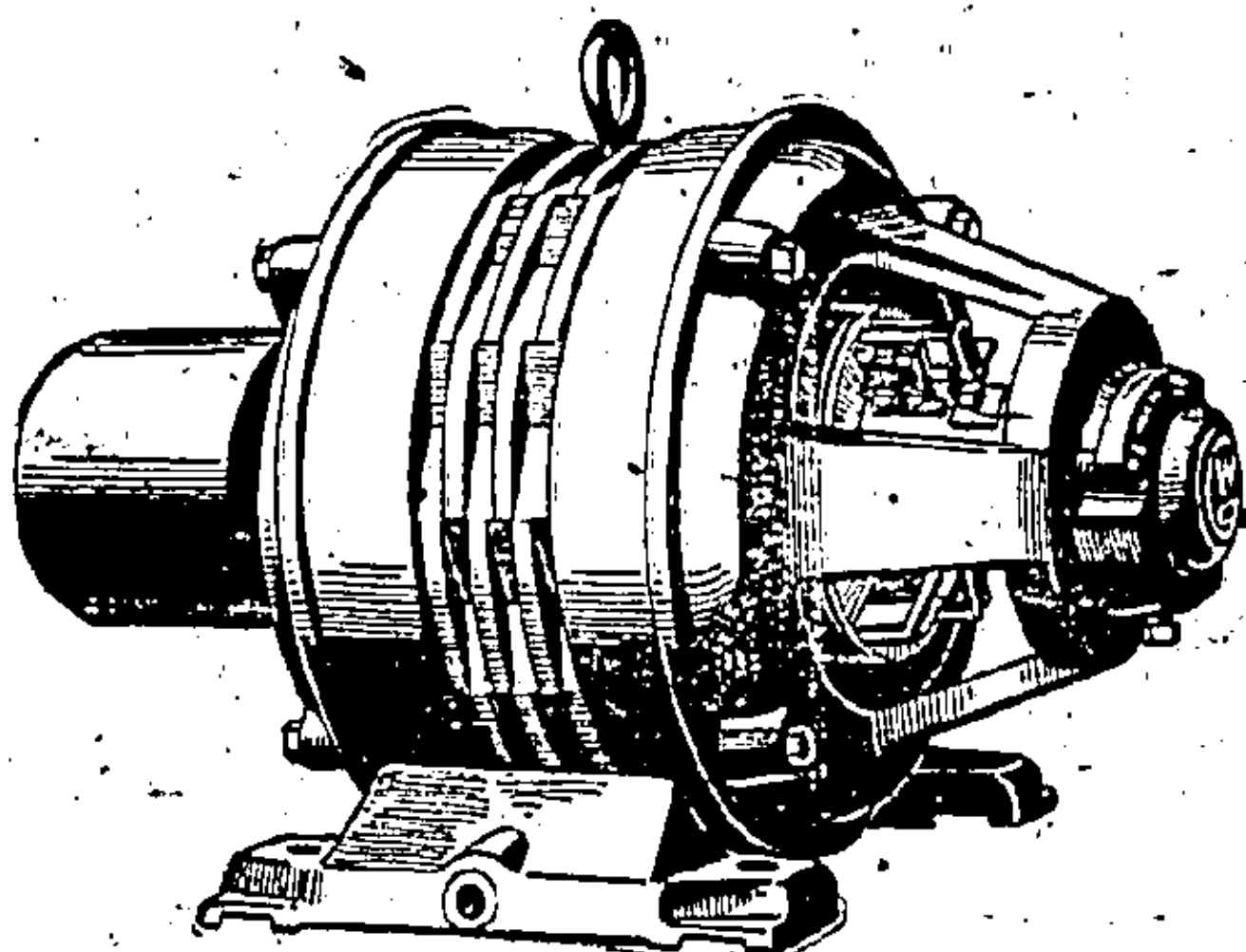
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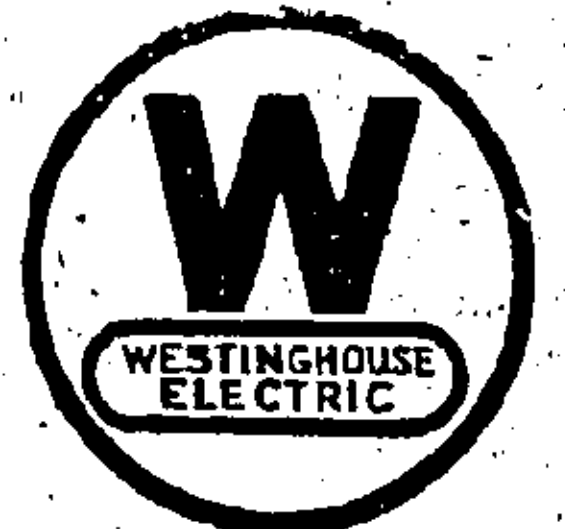
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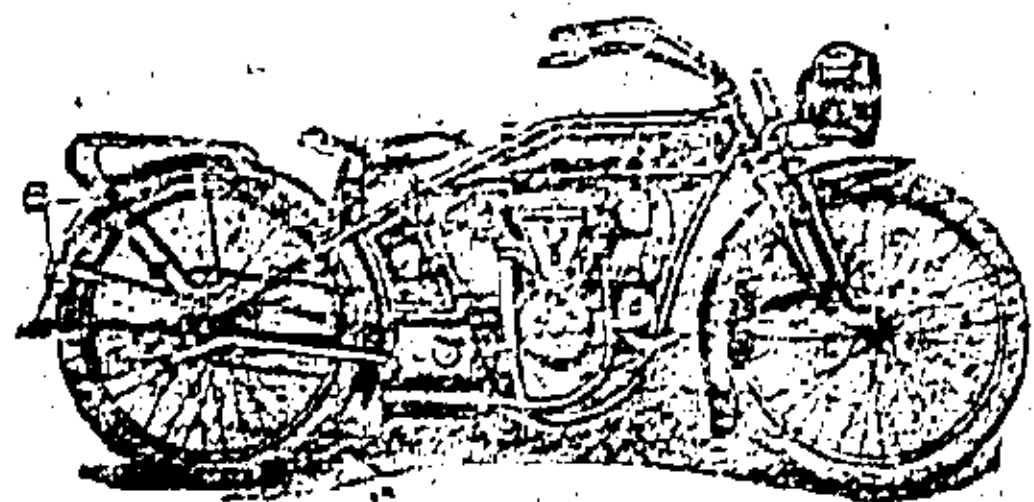
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THE MAGIC CAMEO.

A CLAIRVOYANT'S STORY.

PENCIL WHICH WROTE A SONG.

A young lady at home, who wishes to remain anonymous, has given a remarkable demonstration of her powers of clairvoyance.

In an interview with a representative of the *Mail* the young lady said that, although she had been a clairvoyant since childhood, she did not believe in Spiritualism.

"I believe," she said, "that these so-called 'spiritual' manifestations will be explained some day by purely normal and logical reasoning. Ever since I can remember I have been clairvoyant, but I have never been in that condition known as a 'trance'."

"I am firmly convinced that it is a physical condition, more or less deliberately willed by the one who falls into it. It is absolutely dependent on a lowered vitality, and for that reason if anyone other than I is to be strongly condemned."

"I have made no attempt to cultivate my powers of clairvoyance, for I have learnt from experience that when my powers are most acute my vitality is at its lowest ebb. I am too much attached to the sane and normal even to encourage such a condition in myself."

"I decided some years ago that this thing would never dominate me—that I should always be 'on top of it'."

"But I am evidently a natural clairvoyant. When I was five years old I described to my mother a dress she had once worn. I had a clear vision of the frock down to the tiniest detail of its trimming, but I had never actually seen it. From my description my mother recognised her wedding dress, which had been discarded some years before I was born."

"My mother was rather disturbed by the peculiar powers which I seemed to possess, and as she, wisely I think, discouraged all discussion of the subject, I gradually came to look upon the various things which I felt and saw from time to time as purely natural and experienced by everyone."

"It was during my school life that my clairvoyance became a troublesome burden. I found that by concentration I could give the correct date of any event in any period although a few seconds before my teacher demanded the information my mind was a complete blank on the subject."

"When I was fourteen my mother took me to a brain specialist. He was puzzled by various incidents which were related to him, but he relieved my mother, and incidentally myself, of all anxiety by assuring her that I was perfectly normal."

"We lived in Australia during my childhood, and it was not until we came to England that I began to get really interested in my experiences. I found that by holding any article exclusively possessed by any person I could accurately describe incidents in their past life—in many cases incidents which they themselves had completely forgotten but distinctly remembered when recalled by me."

"I wish I could discard my 'gift.' My own life is a happy one and I have known very few sorrows, but at times I am filled with a dreadful feeling of oppression caused by the vibrations of the sorrows of others. Unfortunately for me the vibrations of sorrow are received to an infinitely greater extent than those of happiness."

"Some weeks ago my mother was showing me some old trinkets. Among them was a quaint little cameo which I had never seen before. It had belonged to an ancestress of mine, and I had it in my hand for some time as I admired it."

"Occasionally I compose, and during the evening of the day on which I examined the cameo I was seated at my piano putting a finishing touch to a song I had just composed."

"My mother and I were chatting and laughing when suddenly I knew that something was going to happen. I told my mother, and she advised me to sit quite still and quiet. I was still holding a pencil in my hand, and of its own volition the pencil wrote some notes of music on the manuscript in front of me. The writing continued until a complete melody was recorded, and then the words of a verse appeared."

"For some time the pencil continued, and the writing differed in every possible way from my own. Finally the words of the song were completed, and the pencil became stationary. We were greatly interested of course, and my mother suggested that I should ask from whom the 'message' came."

"I did so, and the pencil wrote a name entirely unfamiliar to me, though my mother recognised it as that of the ancestress to whom the cameo had belonged. The pencil

The blindest bard that ever was,
all day I punch my lyre; and passing
neighbours often pause, and say,
"Why not retire? You have a bundle
put away, so let your labours close;
you now are loosed, bent and gray,
and need a long repose. So put away
your ancient harp, and can the rhythmic
wheeze, and emulate the bossy
sharp who basks in gilded ease."

And still my trusty harp I swear, as I
have done so long, and every day
attempt to trot upon the peaks of song.
For when a man lays down his tools,
and says he'll work no more, and joins
the loafing bunch that drools around
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FOREIGNERS MUST GO,
SAY SIBERIANS.

The feeling among the Siberians that foreign intervention must soon come to an end is rapidly crystallizing, according to dispatches received in Tokyo from Vladivostok. Feeling is especially strong against the continued presence of Japanese troops, if resolutions passed by several bodies in Siberia are an index.

A mass meeting of Social Revolutionaries held at Vladivostok passed resolutions favouring assistance to the efforts of the Soviet Government to achieve national unity, and denouncing the further occupation of Siberian territory by foreign troops. The meeting approved the following platform:

"The immediate withdrawal of all foreign troops from Siberia; prohibition of the future landing of foreign troops in Siberia; immediate withdrawal of the blockade from parts of Russia; the serving of formal notice on the foreign military groups now stationed at the seat of the provisional government that they were asked to withdraw as they are no longer needed for the preservation of order."

The meeting also resolved that "we are of the opinion that Japan's action in increasing the number of her troops in Siberia at a time when other nations are withdrawing their forces is likely to increase Russian suspicion of Japan, and to complicate international relations."

Resolutions of similar tone have been passed by chambers of commerce, Zemstvos, newspaper associations and other organizations in Vladivostok, Harbin, and Blagovestchensk, according to a semi-official dispatch received in Tokyo. All these resolutions favoured the evacuation of Japanese troops.

In Blagovestchensk Japanese troops carrying arms are forbidden to board the cars and local merchants have agreed not to sell anything to the Japanese.

then wrote "lived 1707, died—," and then suddenly ceased to move. "Nothing further happened, and I rewrote the words and music of the song. Later, without relating the experience, I sang the song to an expert in early English music, and asked him if he could tell me about what date it was written."

"He replied that he had never heard it before, but judging from the melody and the quaintness of the wording he thought it was probably written about 1707. The song is curiously haunting and I intend to publish it anonymously."

Giving her my hand I asked her to tell me of any incidents of my past life. Within a few seconds of my request she described a room in which I had been recently.

The description was accurate in every detail, down to the position of the windows and the arrangement of the furniture.

"I recognised it as the drawing-room of a house in Gloucestershire. I have been there quite recently. Many things were told, never was a mistake made."

The clairvoyant had never seen me before nor I her. There was no melodramatic shutting out of the daylight; no concentrated gazing into a crystal.

The whole thing took place in a charming little room which spoke eloquently of a wholesome love of books and music, of flowers and pictures.

RETIREMENT.

(By WALT MASON.)

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Gossiping, of course, is a thing which is always done by other people. And I have to confess that quite a lot of our people seem very good at it. I can never think where they get all the stories from, but they do come round in the most wonderful fashion. One hears the strangest things.

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It would not matter so much if they would only keep to the truth. During the war we had a letter from my brother, who said that he had knocked his finger against a shell. It was quite a feeble little joke but we laughed over it with one or two friends and then forgot it. A few nights later I was stopped by the doctor, who told me how sorry he was to hear that my brother had lost both his arms!

That is just a sample, of the sort of thing that goes on. A little wound to one finger had been made so much of that in the end we had the greatest difficulty in persuading people that my brother had not really lost both arms. That, of course, was quite harmless, but some of the stories are very different.

A great friend of mine, for instance, had a very pretty servant, who left quite suddenly, as he was going to Canada to be married, and got a passage at very short notice. Of course, all the people in the village know she had gone in a great hurry, and the most dreadful stories went round. I had to deny a great many of them myself, but the worst of it is that people will never believe you if you deny stories of that kind. They only nod, as much as to say, "Of course, you *have* to say that," and very likely they tell the next person they meet that *you* believe there is something in it.

For my own part, I can never see what they find to enjoy in that sort of thing.. Of course, a village is not like a big town. We all know each other and we like to know what people are doing. But I do not think it is right to say that if a man takes to sitting in a different pew in church it is because the girl who sits in front of his old pew has thrown him over. I should always want to be quite sure first that there had ever been anything between them. And, anyhow, he might have moved to get out of a draught.

But nothing seems too small for some people to notice and talk about. And, of course, if they talk about it enough, it will end, like my brother's finger, by being something really big.

A very nice man who worked for us was positively driven out of the village because somebody once saw him give a bird's nest to a little gipsy girl. By the time the story got to us the girl had grown up into a

**CHEQUE FORGER WITH A
SENSE OF HUMOUR.**

Mr. Hartley Withers, lecturing on Banking at King's College on January 12, said he had put the question to a number of his banker friends, "How does the banker serve the community?"

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One of them, in an account of the various things a banker did for his customers, mentioned that he kept their books, and that many people, kept no other accounts. The bank paid the customer's rent and insurance, looked after his investments, arranged to supply him with cash if he went abroad for a holiday, and if he wanted to know the financial standing of a tenant or business house or a son-in-law, the bank would get all the information obtainable for him.

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handsome young woman, and the bird's nest had turned into a couple of our best hens. As we happened to have lost some hens about that time of course things looked rather bad until he explained.

If people would only mind their own business it would be so much nicer and pleasanter. As it is, one is quite afraid to do anything for fear of being misunderstood and of having it talked about. And of course the village women who go out to work at the different houses are the cause of all. The things they tell about are so terrible that I could never believe them if I had not heard them with my own ears.—*Daily Mail*.

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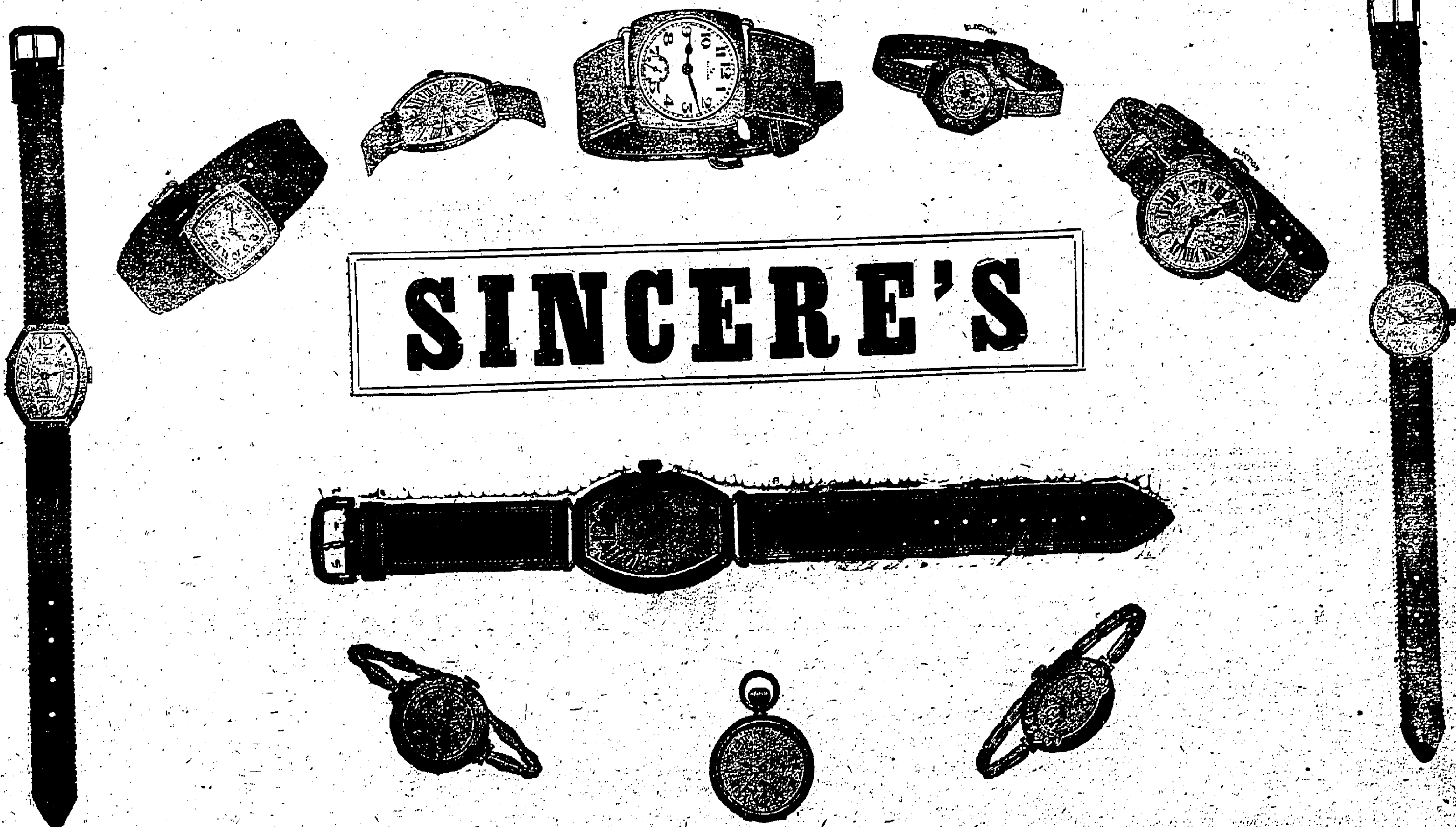
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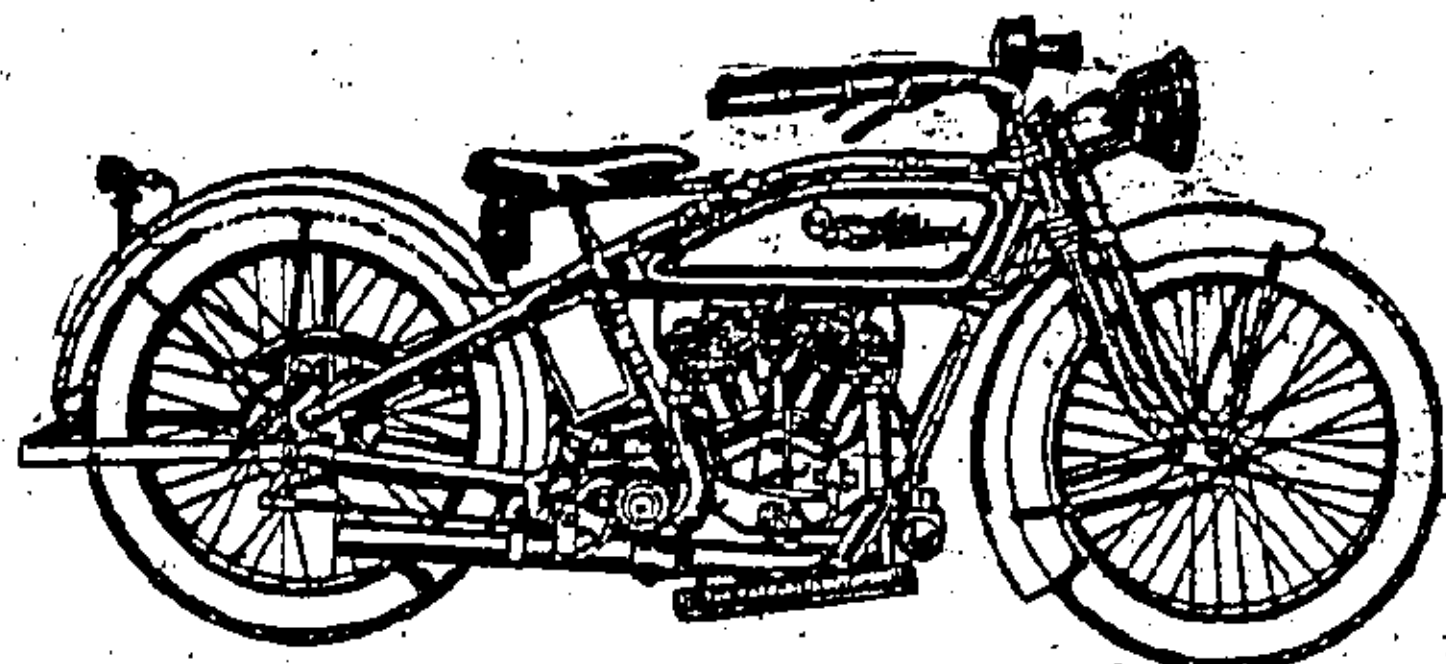
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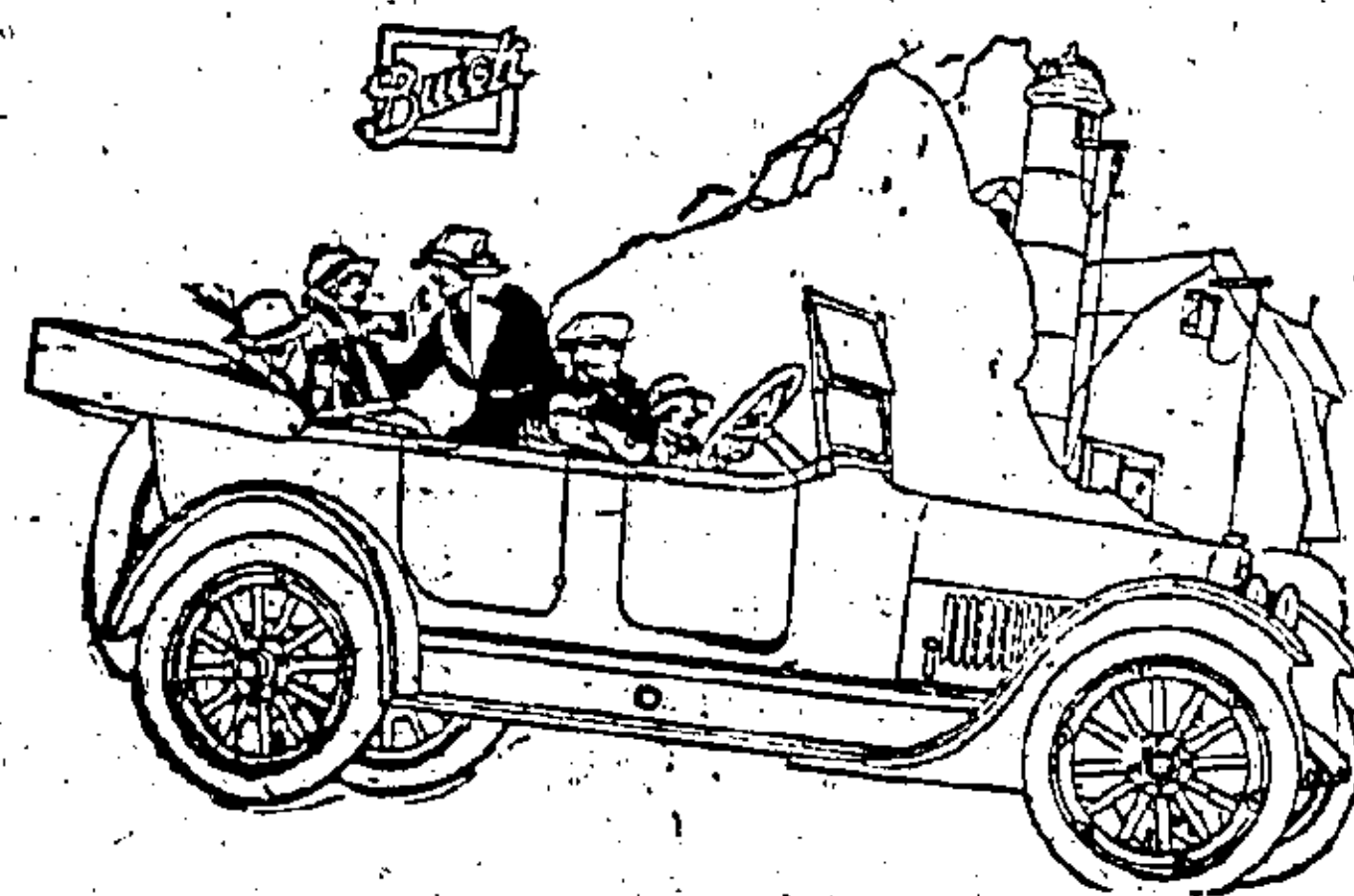


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POLITICAL CESSIONS TO GREAT BRITAIN TO EASE FINANCIAL SITUATION RUMORED.

Paris, February 11.—That France is considering the possibility of ceding French Guiana, Martinique, Guadeloupe and Madagascar, which controls the Suez Canal from the south end of the Red Sea, to Great Britain, is rumoured in official circles following Millerand's statement to the Chamber of Deputies, that the Government is preparing "to make certain political concessions to foreign powers."

With the dollar hovering around 15 francs—a 200 per cent rise—and the pound sterling around 50 francs—double the normal exchange—it is realized among big French business interests that something must be done.

LOANS FALLING DUE.

British loans are falling due soon, and the Spanish loan is due in a few weeks. The loans cannot be paid at present, and France must stabilize the exchange or the franc will go to the value of the mark or crown.

Since the United States bought the Virgin Islands from Denmark it is believed in certain French circles Washington might like to cancel part of the French indebtedness in return for a cession of the French West Indies, which are a key to the Panama Canal. In the interest of the Monroe Doctrine, also, it is believed the United States would write off another slice of the French debt if French Guiana were made a free republic under the protection of the United States, thus getting rid of one European power in South America.

TRIPLE DEAL HINTED.

It is even hinted that there might be a three-way deal whereby Great Britain and Holland might release their Guiana holdings involved.

But France would not be helped by a easing her financial position toward the United States without obtaining relief from England, and it is rumored she is prepared to cede Madagascar and Somaliland to the British and to reduce her claims to various parts of the Turkish Empire in exchange for easements for her obligations to Great Britain.

French holdings in India, like Yunnan, Pondicherry, Karikal and Mahe, might be pawned to Great Britain also.

Lastly, it is stated the French are preparing to offer Indo-China to some great power as a means of improving its financial situation.—San Francisco Chronicle.

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PHILIPPINES TRADE.

Comparing the balance of trade of the foreign commerce of the Philippines for the month of February of last year and of the same month this year shows a net total of P2,817,780 for the islands.

The total imports of the Philippines for February 1920 totalled P14,357,570 of which P8,638,525 was imported by the United States and P1,315,813 by Japan and the remainder of P4,421,232 by 22 different countries. The total balance of trade of the Philippines for the month of February last year was P3,876,732 whereas that of the same month of this year was only P1,058,952 showing a difference of P2,817,780 against the islands.

The importation of the port of Manila alone for February this year was P13,557,663 and that of February last year was P12,791,619, showing a slight increase of P766,044. The exportations of the port of Manila for the same period of this year and that of last year were, respectively, P13,816,730 and P14,818,976, respectively, showing a slight drop of P1,002,246 against it. The total balance of trade between February 1919 and February 1920 then was P206,202 against the port of Manila.

The importation of the ports of Iloilo, Cebu, Jolo, Zamboanga, and Balabac amounted to P769,907 and the exportation totalled P1,599,792 which evidently shows a net increase of P829,885.

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